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Susie Page's list of

POISONOUS PLANTS

This is the time of year when many outside plants are brought indoors as protection from freezing cold. But don't forget to protect the household felines as well, since there is a long list of plants (both indoor and outdoor) that can be harmful and even cause death in cats.

Here is the list of common plants that are poisonous to cats:

- **Anemone**
- **Black Cherry**
- **Bloodroot**
- **Buttercup**
- **Caladium**
- **Castor Bean**
- **Clematis**
- **Crocus**
- **Cycads**
- **Daphne (Splurge Laurel)**
- **Delphinium**
- **Dicentra (Bleeding Heart)**
- **Dieffenbachia (Dumb Cane)**
- **Elephant's Ear (Colocasia)**
- **English Ivy**
- **Foxglove**
- **Four O'Clock**
- **Hellebore**
- **Hemlock**
- **Holly**
- **Hyacinth**
- **Hydrangea**
- **Indian Splurge Tree**
- **Jack-in-the-Pulpit**
- **Jerusalem Cherry**
- **Jimson Weed**
- **Lantana (Red Sage)**
- **Larkspur**
- **Lily-of-the-Valley**
- **Mistletoe**
- **Morning Glory**
- **Mountain Laurel**
- **Oleander**
- **Philodendron**
- **Poinciana (Bird of Paradise)**
- **Poinsettia**
- **Poison Ivy**
- **Poison Oak**
- **Pokeweed**
- **Rhododendron**
- **Solandra (Trumpet Flower)**
- **Star of Bethlehem (Snowdrop)**
- **Sweet Pea**
- **Thornapple**
- **Wisteria & Yew**

Remember too, many so-called "safe plant food additives" may turn toxic when mixed with water, and even though a plant may not appear on the above list it may be safest to keep the plant out of reach to household felines. Hanging planters and keeping plants under glass may fit some needs by converting unused space to an indoor hothouse, complete with artificial lighting.